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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Sunday: Vigil (Saturday Evening) 4:00 p.m.
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., (Folk Group)
11:30 a.m. (Choir)

Daily: 9:00 a.m. Monday - Saturday
7:00 a.m. in convent Monday
Saturday

Holy Day: Vigil 5:30 p.m., Day 9:00 a.m. &
7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 a.m.
(lower church) & 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
(lower church)

Baptism: Third Sunday of the month at 2:00
p.m. Instructions on preceding
Sunday at 12:30 p.m.
Call the rectory to register.

Marriages: Arrange with one of the priests at
least six months in advance

**Anointing
of the Sick:** Call the rectory for Sacraments
and visits to the sick and
homebound

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Sean M. Connor, Pastor
Rev. John J. Connolly, In Residence
Rev. Michael C. Harrington, In Residence

Mrs. Jean F. Hayward, Business Manager
Mr. Jack O'Connor, P.P.C. Vice President

Mr. Bob Collins, Rel Ed Director/Youth Minister
Mrs. Paula Skalinski, Rel Ed, Coordinator
Mrs. Terry Owens, Folk Group Director

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturdays 9:30am-3:30pm
Rosary: 8:30am Monday-Saturday lower church
Our Lady of Fatima: First Saturdays 8:00am
lower church
Divine Mercy Chaplet: M-F 2:30-3:30pm convent chapel
Sat. - 2:30-3:30pm lower church
Mass 3rd Friday at 6:00PM

PROGRAMS

Religious Education Classes: Sunday 10:30 am
Grades 1-6 and 6:30pm Grades 7- Confirmation
CYO Basketball, Mr. Michael Doyle
Color Guard, Ms. Eileen Cunningham 617-775-6644
St. Vincent DePaul Main Office 781-344-3100
St. Vincent DePaul Local Parish 617-825-6180

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Parish Community of Saint Ann's in Neponset is in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We believe that this tradition is a sacred gift given to us in Baptism and the inheritance bequeathed to us by those who have gone before us through the ages. With our Archbishop and Pastor we are united with our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, in our commitment to- and we are indeed shaped as a people by- the Eucharistic Assembly especially on the Lord's Day. We are strongly committed to maintaining our parish school and religious education programs. We are equally committed to the spiritual needs of those who are grieving or who are ill or because of advanced age are unable to celebrate the Sunday Eucharist. Through the Liturgy we hope to inspire and motivate our parish family to respond to the physical needs of the less fortunate of Christ's brothers and sisters. We are a parish that is deeply committed to the family.

We are a parish with a long and rich history and take great pride in celebrating our Catholic traditions.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	7/18	4:00	Denise Lyons, 4th Anniv
SUN	7/19	8:00	Patrick Mannion, 7th Anniv
		9:30	Roger J. Harty, 16th Anniv Lucile Harty, 12th Anniv
		11:30	Denis and Sadie Doherty, Mem
MON	7/20	9:00	Lillian Lanci, Mem
TUES	7/21	9:00	Jane Chinetti, Mem
WED	7/22	9:00	Patrick Healy, Mem
THUR	7/23	9:00	Special Intention
FRI	7/24	9:00	Louise Jacobson, Mem
SAT	7/25	4:00	Mary Stella, 8th Anniv Benjamin Stella, 7th Anniv
SUN	7/26	8:00	St. Ann Parish
		9:30	Thomas J. O'Brien, 6th Anniv Joan A. O'Brien, 1st Anniv Thomas J. O'Brien, 31st Anniv
		11:30	Patrick, John, and Leila Doherty, Mem

STEWARDSHIP REPORT**OFFERTORY**

Collected, July 12th	Offerings in Cash	\$1,151.00
	Offerings in Checks	1,789.00
	Total	\$2,940.00

Number of envelopes used 131**BLACK AND NATIVE AMERICANS**

Collected, July 12th	Offerings in Cash	\$ 726.00
	Offerings in Checks	837.00
	Total	\$1,563.00

Number of envelopes used 108**LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

7/18	4:00	A. Juliano	A. Lessard B. Lessard
7/19	8:00	J. Breen	M. Fitzpatrick
	9:30	J. English	T. McGrath M. Reilly
	11:30	T. Lewis	L. Moreno M. Browne

ALTAR SERVERS

7/18	4:00	A. Mannion	E. Mannion M. Mannion
7/19	8:00	J. Murphy	S. Murphy
	9:30	B. Mannion	M. Mannion S. Mannion
	11:30	S. Skalinski	T. Mannion J. Connolly
		M. Collins	

“...and He took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and He set Himself to teach them at some length.” Fr. Peter Cameron, OP, reflects on the meaning of Lord’s pity. “The pity of Jesus is never without effect. The Lord’s pity for the leper (Mk 1:41) moves Jesus to stretch out his hand and heal him. His pity for the four thousand (Mk 8:2) leads to the miraculous feeding. Jesus pity towards the possessed boy (Mk 9:22) prompts Him to cast out the demon that enslaves him.” And today’s Gospel, the Lord’s pity on them or as it says in another translation, “His heart was moved with compassion for them.” The Lord’s pity, is a dutifulness, a loving compassion, the Good Shepherd. The Lord moves with His people, bowing down to care and comfort, to heal and save.

The image of the Shepherd in Sacred Scripture denotes Israel’s need for leadership for our God. Before Jesus takes them out for a rest today, (to be replenished) He reveals that John the Baptist has given his life for love of Jesus. It could seem odd that John’s witness is inserted in between last week’s gospel and today’s if we did not investigate its meaning. John as precursor to Jesus is entrusted with the task of preparing the way for the Messiah, the one who saves. It is God who saves. Today, the prophet Jeremiah teaches us that ‘the days are coming... the Lord who speaks...will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practicing honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.’ This is God’s promise - compassion - the Good Shepherd, who lays down His life. Christ’s pity –His compassion - is His nature of love. Jesus’ pity comes from His divine love and His own human nature and experience. Jesus knew that John would offer himself out of love. John’s martyrdom was almost hidden in the depths of Herod’s prison. It precursors the real sacrifice and witness of Christ on the Cross. Compassion here is made visible, the world will see His pity as he is raised on the cross. His compassion and His love to be gazed upon. No longer will the people lack their Shepherd for He has come to lay down His life.

This week the Church celebrated the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. This feast celebrates

“the beauty of Carmel where the prophet Elijah defended the purity of Israel’s faith in the living God” and the promises revealed in Mary’s birth of the Savior. St. Leo, in the Office of Readings explains that the person of Christ is the “remedy that fitted our human need.” In other words it is in Christ’s pity, His compassion that we find our remedy. The mercy, the tender love of our God heals, feeds and gathers together as one flock. “If He were not true God, He would not be able to bring us healing; if He were not true man, He would not be able to give us an example.”

May the Lord teach us to love Him in return. To lay down our lives in beautiful sacrifice, like St. John. To follow the example of the holy men and women in scripture. We need Jesus. We need Him as Remedy and Shepherd. We need His compassion, His pity and His dutifulness. These virtues will always have effect in us - if we love Jesus and give these gifts in loving service. Think of Veronica as she watched the Lord pass by, so moved with pity that even fear and suffering would not prevent her from approaching Jesus to love Him in return. Veronica saw compassion, the Christ, and she desired to offer it to Him in return. May we find the same gift and joy in the face of our Lord.

In His loving service, Fr. Sean

Next Weeks Second Collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. While the countries of Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union endured decades of communist oppression, the Church suffered grave wounds to its spiritual life and its ability to serve the people. Through this collection, Catholics can now build bridges to these countries, spread God’s Word over vast areas with modern communications media, train Church leaders of tomorrow, help needy families materially and spiritually, rebuild churches that have fallen, and support the sisters and brothers who have suffered for the faith.

GEORGE “GEORGIE” WALLACE FUNDRAISER

The Wallace Memorial Scholarship Fund

The friends and family of George “Georgie” Wallace are establishing an annual scholarship in his memory. The recipient(s) will be a graduating 8th grader from Pope John Paul II Catholic Academy-Neponset Campus.

The first fundraising effort will be a golf tournament and post golf-celebration at the Norwood Country Club on ***Saturday, September 12, 2009.***

The event will include 18 holes of golf, cart, a delicious meal and a chance to win golf prizes, door prizes and raffles (Granite Links foursome, U2 concert tickets, Red Sox tickets and more).

Please RSVP by August 28th

Individual Golf (Golf, Cart, dinner and prizes)

\$125.00 (\$100.00 BEFORE August 1st)

Dinner Only: \$25.00

For more information, on this important event that will help a deserving student while keeping Georgie’s memory alive and well, please call Pam Evans 617-825-7538 or Bob Lee 617-257-7295.

Thank you in advance for your support!!!

A WOMAN’S CONCERN

Would you like to help women and couple who are facing an unplanned pregnancy chose life for their unborn children? A Woman’s Concern, a life-affirming pregnancy resource center, is looking for volunteers to work in client services and administration. For more information call 617-929-1012 or email info@awomansconcern.org.

NEPONSET KNIGHTS WEEKEND BASKETBALL CLINIC

Come learn the fundamentals of basketball at the Garvey Park. Every weekend (Saturdays and Sundays) beginning this weekend and continuing through August 30th, from 4:00PM to 6:00PM. Boys and Girls in grades 6-8 are welcome to come to this free clinic. T-Shirts, waters, and basketballs will be provided.

Come on down and be prepared to have

FUN!!!!!!

**PERPETUAL ADORATION
RETURNS TO BOSTON FOR
VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD**

When he returned he found them asleep. He said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep watch for one hour?"

Mark 14:37

On August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption, St. Clement Eucharistic Shrine will begin perpetual Adoration (Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 24 hours a day, seven days a week). St. Clement has been named one of the six designated locations in the diocese to pray for the sanctification of priests and vocations to the priesthood. Upon opening, St. Clement will be the only perpetual Adoration site in the city of Boston. Adorers are needed at all times of the day and night. Please prayerfully consider committing to spending one hour a week with the Lord. For more information please contact AdorationBoston@gmail.com or visit Adoration Boston.org or call Rich McKinney at 617-536-4141.

FREE YOGA FOR GIRLS

*In partnership with Boston R.O.C.K.S.
Saint Ann CYO & Murphy Community Center
Held at Garvey Park Outfield*

Mats, T-Shirts, healthy snack and water provided, facilities available, in case of rain yoga will be held in skating rink. Permission slips are required and available at the back of the church and at the skating rink. Check-in is at the skating rink.

Tuesdays ages 8-11yrs old 5-6PM, ages 12-18yrs old 6:15-7:15PM.

Thursdays ages 8-11yrs old 4-5PM, ages 12-18yrs old 5:15-6:15PM.

The Program runs until Thursday, August 27th

**A Message from Father Hung Pham,
Archdiocese of Hanoi**

Father Hung has completed his doctoral studies and headed back to his home diocese in Vietnam. He will be assuming his new responsibilities at the newly formed Seminary in Hanoi. Fr. Hung will be the professor of Moral Theology for the graduate students. Please keep Fr. Hung in your prayers and their 350 Seminarians. Fr. Hung sends greeting and thanks to Saint Ann Parish for hosting him this year.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Laboure Center
Visiting Nurse Services**

The Laboure Center has a new Public Health and Wellness Program. The program which is *free of charge* was established to allow frail elders who no longer qualify for insurance reimbursement to receive home nursing visits for wellness education. The goal of this program is to permit elders with chronic disease to remain living at home.

The two aspects of this program:

Carelink: These are visits by senior student nurses from Boston College and Yale University School of Nursing under supervision of their instructors.

Public Health and Wellness: These are visits by volunteer Registered Nurses.

For more information about the program please call and ask to speak to Mary McColgan RN at 617-268-9670.

**THE WEEKEND OF JULY 25th & 26th
LECTORS/EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

7/25	4:00	D. Weir	T. Weir J. Downey
7/26	8:00	S. Clegg	C. McPartlin
	9:30	A. Connell	N. Talalas E. Maneikis
	11:30	D. Daley	B. Follett N. Follett

ALTAR SERVERS

7/25	4:00	C. Garvey	M. Garvey R. Garvey
7/26	8:00	J. Connolly	
	9:30	R. Kulesza	J. Damatin
	11:30	J. Murphy	S. Murphy
		D. Connolly	S. Connolly

PRAYERS FOR PARISHIONERS CORNER

Please note all requests must be in by 4:00PM Monday, Thank You. Please pray for:

<i>Judy Finn</i>	<i>Mary Tierney</i>
<i>Mary Nagle</i>	<i>Mark Curry</i>
<i>Russell Brandi</i>	<i>Helen Maloney</i>
<i>Ann Maloney</i>	<i>Catherine Horgan</i>
<i>David O'Neill</i>	<i>Mary O'Sullivan</i>
<i>Connie O'Sullivan</i>	<i>Ethel & John McPherson</i>
<i>Kitty O'Donnell</i>	<i>Mrs. Mary B. Tighe</i>
<i>Barbara Monahan</i>	<i>Brian Lawler</i>